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FM AMEMBASSY MANAMA BAHRAIN

TO SECSTATE WASHINGTON DC PRIORITY 4867

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FOR : NEA/ARP TWINAM AND LYLE

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS : OVIP, BA

SUBJECT : MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR MRS. MOHAMMAD KANOO

1. KANOO FAMILY, WHICH RARELY NEEDS OR ASKS FAVORS, HAS ASKED EMBASSY FOR ASSISTANCE IN GAINING IN-PATIENT ADMISSION FOR MRS. MOHAMMAD KANOO TO HE M.D. ANDERSON HOSPITAL AT HOUSTON MEDICAL CENTER. SHE IS SUSPECTED (BY HER LOCAL SURGEON, DR. FAISAL ZEERA) OF CANCER AND NEEDS URGENT ATTENTION. KANOOFAMILY, HROUGH ITS OFFICEIN HOUSTON, HAS BEEN ABLE ARRANGE ONLY FOR OUTPATIENT TREATMENT FOR MRS. KANOO BECAUSE IT WAS INFORMED BY HOSPITAL THAT FOREIGN NATIONALS COULD NOT GET ADMISSION TO HOSPITAL AS IN-PATIENTS.

2. AMBASSADOR WAS VISITED JUNE 29 BY MUBARAK AND KHALID MOHAMMAD KANOO (SON OF MRS. KANOO) TO ASK FOR ASSISTANCE IN CLARIFYING THIS REGULATION REGARDING FOREIGN PATIENTS AND ASSURING HOSPITALTHATKANOO FAMILY IS COMPLEELY RELIABLE (THEY HAVE IMPRESSION THAT CENTER MAY ASSUME THAT FOREIGNERS DON'T PAY HEIR BILLS).

3. REQUEST DEPT CONTACT DIRECTOR OF ANDERSON HOSPITAL AND ATTEMPT CLARIFY ADMISSION REGULATIONS FOR FOREIGN NAIONALS AND EXPLAIN SPECIALSTATUS OF KANOO FAMILY. MRS. KANOO AND PARTY (DR. HASSAN FAKHRO, PHYSICIAN BROTHEROF MINISTER OF UNCLASSIFIED

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HEALTH; SON KHALED) WILLDEPART BAHRAIN JULY 3. THEY WILL RAVEL BAHRAIN/LONDON/MIAMI/HOUSTON TO ARRIVEHOUSTON IN TIME FOR 1145 HOURS JULY 7 APPOINTMENTAT HOSPITAL. HEY ARESATISFIED WIH ALL THE ARRANGEMENTS EXCEPT THE APPARENT NECESSITY TO TREAT MRS. KANOO AS AN OUTPATIENT. HEY HAVE MADE RESERVATIONS AT ANDERSON MAYFAIR HOTEL FOR BALANCE OF PARTY.

4. FYI FOR TWINAM: MOHAMMAD KANOO IS IN WASHINGTON DC
UNDERGOING NEW, INTENSIVE TREATMENT FOR PARKINSON'S DISEASE.
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